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METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ASCRIBING A REPUTATION TO

AN ENTITY FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF ANOTHER ENTITY

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Not yet assigned

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## STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

### PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified case. No fee or certification is required.

### PART II: Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449. The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.



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The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application.

The applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending applications that may contain subject matter related to this application:

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Serial No.	Filing Date	Title of Application
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09/710,008	11/10/00	Method and System for Ascribing a
		Reputation to an Entity As a Rater of
		Other Entities
09/710,498	11/10/00	System and Method for Estimating the
		Impacts of Multiple Ratings
		on a Result
09/710,011	11/10/00	System and Method for Ascribing a
		Reputation to an Entity
09/710,289	11/10/00	System and Method for Recursively
		Estimating a Reputation of an Entity

### PART III: Remarks

Documents cited on the attached form PTO-1449 are enclosed unless otherwise indicated on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that:

- 1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
- 2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
- 3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.



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By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.

Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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